



# May 2012



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>EACH SUNDAY MORNING</b> 9:00 AM Worship & Bible Fellowship 10:30 AM Worship & Bible Fellowship and Children's Church		<b>1</b> 9:30-11 a.m. W.E.M. BS 9:30-12:30 p.m. Stitches of Love Quilting Guild  6-8 p.m. Men's B. S. 7 p.m. Deacon's Mtg.	<b>2</b>  6 p.m. Twilighter's Council Meeting 6:45 p.m. Teachers Mtg.	<b>3</b> 9 a.m. MOPS  6-8 p.m. Men's B. S. 6:30-8 p.m. W.E.M B.S. 6:30-7:45 p.m. National Day of Prayer Walk	<b>4</b>  Older RA's Campout @ Mike Grace's Farm	<b>5</b> 10-4 p.m. Upward Soccer @ Bridges  6 P.M. RA's Fishing Derby @ Mike Grace's
<b>6</b> 12 Noon Single's Lunch  4-6 p.m. Men's B. S. 4 p.m. VBS Training	<b>7</b>  6 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Ministry 6-8 p.m. Men's B. S.	<b>8</b> 9:30-11 a.m. W.E.M. BS 9:30-12:30 p.m. Stitches of Love Quilting Guild  6-8 p.m. Men's B. S. 7 p.m. Youth Cl. Mtg. 7 p.m. WMU Beacons @ FBC, Russell	<b>9</b>  6:45 p.m. RA's make Mother's Day Crafts	<b>10</b>  6-8 p.m. Men's B. S. 6:30-8 p.m. W.E.M B.S.	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 8 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast  10-4 p.m. Upward Soccer @ Bridges  5:30 p.m. Twilighter's Dinner
<b>13</b> Mother's Day  6:30 p.m. Special Guest Chip Ingram	<b>14</b>  6 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Ministry 6 p.m. Budget & Finance Committee Meeting	<b>15</b> 9:30-12:30. Stitches of Love Quilting Guild  6 p.m. Church Council	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 9 a.m. MOPS  6 p.m. CentriKid Camp chaperones' meeting @ Golden Corral	<b>18</b>  W.E. M. Retreat @ GBA Center	<b>19</b> 10-4 p.m. Upward Soccer @ Bridges 10-4 p.m. VBS Decorations Work Day
<b>20</b> 12 Noon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Gr. Classes outing – Laser Tag 12 Noon Sr. High Banquet – Off Campus 5 p.m. CentriKid Camp Parents' meeting 5:30 p.m. Missions' Committee Meeting	<b>21</b>  6 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Ministry	<b>22</b> 9:30-12:30 Stitches of Love Quilting Guild  5-8 p.m. Ladies Bible Fellowship Class-Tea	<b>23</b>  6:45 p.m. GA's Awards Banquet - Gym	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>  Blevins/Cantrell Wedding Rehearsal  6-12 Midnight Scrapbooking Ministry	<b>26</b> 10-4 p.m. Upward Soccer @ Bridges  10-4 p.m. Scrapbooking  Amanda Blevins/Travis Cantrell Wedding
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> Memorial Day  "OFFICE CLOSED"  6 p.m. Celebrate Recovery Ministry	<b>29</b> 9:30-12:30. Stitches of Love Quilting Guild  Upward Soccer Awards Night	<b>30</b>  6 p.m. TWL Cl. Mtg.	<b>31</b>	<b>EACH SUNDAY EVENING</b> 4:00 p.m. Take One Drama Team 6:30 p.m. TeamKids 6:30 p.m. Evening Worship Service	

**WEDNESDAY SCHEDULE**  
6:15-8:00 PM Youth Rally  
6:45 PM Prayer & Devotional Service  
GA.'s, RA's & Mission Friends  
7:00 PM Praise Team Practice  
7:30 PM Sanctuary Choir

## NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

*"ONE NATION UNDER GOD"*

**Greenup County Prayer Walk**  
**Thursday, May 3rd from 6:30p.m.-7:45p.m.**

You are invited to join your community for the 7th Annual Greenup County Prayer Walk!!! Please meet at Bridges Christian Church parking lot/warehouse for a brief time of prayer, praise and worship. For those who can make the 1.5 mile walk to Advance Memorial United Methodist Church, please wear red, white or blue and comfy shoes. **PLEASE NOTE:** prayer leaders will be available in the parking lot for those that can't make the walk. BYOC (bring your own chair). We will be praying for our government, churches, military, family, education, media and businesses. Visit the NDPTF.org for more info.

**Psalm 33:12 "Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD."**

**Chip Ingram** is senior pastor of Venture Christian Church in Los Gatos, California, and the president and teaching pastor of *Living on the Edge*, an international teaching and discipleship ministry. He has been a pastor for more than twenty-five years and served as president of *Walk through the Bible*. Chip has a unique ability to challenge people to live out their faith. He is the author of numerous books and has four children and six grandchildren with his wife Theresa.

**This gifted servant of the Lord will be speaking at our church during the PM Service on Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>.**



## WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Richard & Kimberly Blanton by Letter  
Michael Blum by Statement  
Chris & Angela Tackett by Statement  
Frank & Brenda Daniels by Letter  
Beverly Savage by Letter



### Awaiting Baptism

Amanda Blevins  
Brittany Wellman  
David Crum  
Sheila Easterling  
Carol Durham  
Johnny Highfield  
Daniel Blanton  
Jacob Goheen  
Katelyn Justice  
Jeannette Fitch  
Phillip & Katharine Bartram  
Tiffany Crews  
Patrick Rivers  
Proc. Robinson III  
Angela Grubb  
Anthony Herr

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## THE TENDED GARDEN

Sometimes we question why God has us where we are and why we are going through what we are experiencing. God has a purpose for our lives, and while it's not always for us to understand His master plan, in this garden of life we need to dig in, take root and bloom where we're planted.

It's important to tend our gardens, working the soil and looking for opportunities to help others. The soil must be prepared carefully so the roots can take hold. Make your garden grow by planting, watering and fertilizing the seeds of faith, love and service you plant in others.

It is not always pleasant in the garden. Getting down in the dirt can ruin manicures and work up a sweat, but to get the most out of our gardens requires effort on our part. No one ever said it would be easy to tend the spot where we have been planted.

If we are not diligent, weeds can take over our gardens and the blooms will die, the life choked out of them. The weeds of sinful behavior, lack of faith, sporadic prayer life and irregular Bible study can allow unwanted weeds to slowly take over our lives. An untended garden can soon be overrun with destructive growth.

So wherever God has chosen to plant you during this season of your life, take root, weather the storms, tend your ground and bloom beautifully. He has you where you are for a reason!

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## MAY 2012

FROM PASTOR KEN

People have been asking how to please God from the dawn of time. The answers to this question are as numerous as the leaves on an old, large, oak tree. It's not that God doesn't want us to know what will please Him, nor is it that He hasn't told us. God has never been bashful about what He wants, however, we have been slow of hearing and even when we do hear we are very creative in our attempts to make up what we think He requires.

*Micah 6:8 (NLT) tells us, "No, O people, the Lord has told you what is good, and this is what He requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God."*

"To do what is right", has to do with the manner we treat others. It has to do with having integrity, keeping your word, being just and being fair. "To love mercy", has to do with resisting the temptation to retaliate. We are to show kindness even when others have wronged us, remembering we ourselves have received undeserved mercy from God.

Finally God desires us to "walk humbly with Him." God never asks us to do spectacular feats – but He does ask for humility. Would you agree that if we walk "with Him," we will be humble? The more closely we walk with Him, the more conscious we are of His presence and blessing.

Sometimes we make our Christian life too complicated. Why, even a child could sum these three things up. "Be Fair", "Be Nice", and "Don't Think Too Much Of Yourself". Seems pretty simple.

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